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3 December 1951

#### MEMORANDUM

TO

OSO Training Officer

FROM

: Chief, FDS/Admin

SUBJECT

Maritime Operations Course

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REFERENCE:

Memo from Mr.

of this division dated

25 July 1951

1. In compliance with your verbal request of 20 November 1951, this is to advise that FDS is in accord with the establishment of a maritime operations course. FDS will have available for attendance at the proposed course on or after 1 January 1952 five case officers who will be assigned to headquarters.

- 2. Since the headquarters case officers will be undergoing this training in addition to their regular duties, they can be spared a maximum period of four hours per day. For this reason it is suggested that the course be set up in the following manner:
  - a. First two weeks: Mornings devoted to classroom theory and problems to be confronted in maritime operations. Afternoons devoted to demonstrations and practical use of operational equipment. All students would attend the morning sessions, but only the field case officers would attend the afternoon sessions.
  - b. Third week: Only the five field case officers would attend full time so that this week's training could be conducted away from the Washington area if weather or security considerations make this advisable. This week would be devoted to a series of "dry runs" to give students practical experience in mounting and executing a maritime operation. It is believed that the would suffice as a training area if condi- 25X1C tions elsewhere were unsatisfactory.

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3. FDS expects to have on hand during this period a limited amount of operational equipment which is destined for future use in the field. The desirability of using this equipment in the training course can be discussed.

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